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In re Application of:

KIYOSHI SAWADA, ET AL.

Serial No. **09/857,904**

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Title:

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Sir:

REQUEST FOR REFUND

We received a Notification of Missing Requirements dated August 1, 2001 in connection with the above-identified patent application. It was indicated in the Notification that an additional claims fee of \$504 was required. Since this application was filed with only a total of 19 claims (with no multiple dependent claims) (see the **substitute specification with**

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claims 1-19) there should be no excess filing fee. It is submitted, therefore, that the 317 Acceptance Letter (Confirmation No. 1218) indicating that an additional claim fees of \$514 is required, should be corrected since the basic filing fee of \$860 covers the 19 claims initially filed with this application.

Early and favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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